

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:)	Examiner: W. Bashore
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For:	METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR A HOME NETWORK AUTO-))) O-)	RECEIVED
	TREE BUILDER)	MAY 1 3 2004
Application No.: 09/104,297)	Technology Center 2100
Filed: June 24, 1998))	Irvine, California 92612

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The Office Action dated April 5, 2004, requested that an election be made for prosecution on the merits.

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicant provisionally elects to prosecute claim group I as designated by the Office Action, i.e., Claims 1-20.

This provisional election is done with traverse to the extent this restriction requirement might later be shown to be misplaced, and without prejudice to the filing of possible divisional applications directed to the subject matter in the non-elected claims.

The Patent Office's consideration of this matter is gratefully appreciated.

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